

WENT OVER THE TOP.

Hall School District, south of Farber, over toward Wellsville, went 100 per cent for the sale of Third Liberty Loan Bonds. There is a bond in every home in the district except one. The total amount subscribed was \$5,050. Uncle Jesse Davis and wife were the heaviest subscribers, each took \$1,000. Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Cox took \$550, and J. M. Cox \$300 and Ray Cox \$200. There were a number of \$100 subscriptions.

A loyal people down that way, besides they know the Bonds are a good thing, a safe investment. B. L. Frazier, Jesse Lofton and Ralph House led the drive for the subscriptions.

Hurray for Hall District.

KNIGHTS OF PYTHIAS.

The following from Eclectic Lodge, No. 125, Knights of Pythias of Mexico, visited Wellsville Lodge Wednesday night of last week:

Sidney Gary, Benjamin Haskell, T. L. Marshall, Rev. George Wharton, Ira Burks, T. J. Kelso, Jesse Martin, Joseph Davis, E. L. Johnson, Benj. C. Barnes, Fred B. Kent, Philip Shire, Dr. Jolley, Ross R. Wagner, E. L. Cass and J. E. Blum.

The degrees were conferred on three candidates after which a light lunch was served by the Red Cross ladies of Wellsville.

\$16,000 WORTH OF STAMPS.

Philip Baker, a letter carrier at Fulton, has been very successful in selling Thrift Stamps and War Savings Certificates. His sales already have reached over \$16,000.

In a report to the Callaway County Committee he says it is comparatively easy to sell Thrift Stamps. He has succeeded in getting persons on his route to save their small change to invest in War Savings Stamps. His persistency has produced excellent results.

CHAMP CHIMES.

Corn planting has commenced in earnest.

There will be preaching at Bethel next Sunday.

Miss Thelma Harrison has been employed to teach our school, Cedar Grove, again this year. Miss Mary Hatcher has been employed to teach the next term at Hisey.

Arthur Frazier, formerly of Paris, Ill., now of Camp Pike, Arkansas, visited his brother-in-law, Elbert Perisho, last week. He expects to go to join the Sammies across the sea right away.

Mr. Harry Woolery, son of ex-Sheriff J. B. Woolery, and Miss Jennie, daughter of Mr. C. H. Dean, surprised their many friends by driving to Mexico and getting married last Wednesday evening. Rev. J. L. Nickerson performed the ceremony. They went to housekeeping immediately on the J. B. Woolery farm on Beaver Dam.

A. B. Weidler was on the sick list last week caused by eating at a restaurant. We don't know whether it was overeating or because it was so much worse than he was used to.

COMMANDEER HIM—

TAKE HIS LAND.

San'a Barbara, Cal., May 2.—Eighteen guns, including high-power rifles and automatic pistols, were confiscated by agents of the Department of Justice in a raid last Tuesday on the Eagle Ranch in San Luis Obispo County, it became known today.

The ranch is owned by Baron von Schroeder, who, it is said, now holds a high commission in the German Army. Henry von Schroeder, a son, and Frederick von Schroeder, a nephew, operate the ranch.

Wm. Lowry, formerly of Mexico, asks us to change his address for The Message from Osborn, Mo., to Platte City, Mo. Says he expects to visit Mexico friends this summer.

B. L. Frazier, Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Frazier, Jesse Lofton and Miss Florence Lofton, who live north of Wellsville, were pleasant callers at Message headquarters Friday.

FRED WHITLOCK DROWNED A VERY SAD HAPPENING.

Lost His Life By The High Waters At The Mexico Brick Plant—Body Not Found Till Four Days Later.

The Message last week mentioned the dyke breaking at the Mexico Brick Plant the Saturday night before. There was a cloudburst, two-inch fall of rain, and a creek or ravine nearly overflowing its banks endangered one of the pits. One hundred men worked a good part of the night to save the Plant's property.

The next day Fred Whitlock was missing. Careful search was made for him, and early Thursday morning Roy McIlhenny found his lifeless body in the water of the excavation pit. It is thought he fell into the water by falling from a dangerous path, which he had taken. The Coroner's inquest found that he came to his death from drowning, cause not known. The burial was in Elmwood cemetery Friday.

Whitlock was a married man. His wife has been very ill.

SNEED BUYS BONDS.

Residents of Sneed District, north of Mexico, bought \$2,350 in Third Liberty Loan Bonds. The district invested liberally in War Savings Stamps and some found they had gone their length and were not able to buy Bonds as heavily as they could have wished.

RUSH HILL ITEMS.

Val Erdel was in Columbia on business Monday.

Louis Kircher bot 80 acres of land adjoining his farm.

Miss Ruth Stuart visited Miss Tommie Roberts in Mexico last week.

Mrs. Harry Carnes of Independence has been visiting relatives here. Gertrude McManamy accompanied her home.

Fay Cornett bot a cornplanter recently from Pete Erdel, Jr.

There were 32 at the Hall to sew for the Red Cross Wednesday. A number of garments were finished.

Joe Wagner bot a 120 acre farm at \$80 per acre.

Harry Talley of Santa Fe has been visiting relatives here.

Mr. and Mrs. Orville Staples left last week for Sophia, Colo., where they will make their home.

Quite a number went from here Saturday to Mexico to see the war relics.

Mr. Fennewald bot some hogs at \$19.50 per hundred pounds.

L. W. McCoy, the Laddonia poultryman, pushes up the date for his Mexico Message subscription.

J. T. Johnson is suing the Chicago and Alton Railroad for \$2,400 damages caused to his fields by fires, set, he alleges, by C. & A. engines.

J. W. Rouse has been quite sick.

Jon W. Stevens of Laddonia was a business visitor in Mexico Thursday.

J. S. Asbury of near Centrafia was a business visitor in Mexico on Friday. J. S. is quite a moralist and philosopher. Ask him for his opinion of the fellow who will not act on the square. His conclusions are just right, too.

Kenneth K. Kendrick of Vandalia is to go into army service under the draft call May 14th.

Roy E. Paullin, who is with the soldier boys at Camp Funston, visited his home recently near Skinner.

Miss Dorothy Rodhouse of Columbia is visiting Mexico relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Logsdon of Sturgeon are at the home of J. W. Rouse in this city, who is ill.

WAISTS AND SKIRTS.

New styles just received, \$1.85 to \$5.00. They are dandy. Johnson Variety Store.

**Potatoes!
Eat 'Em
25c
Peck**

MORRIS, The Grocer

Eppa F. Elliott announces thru The Message this week as a candidate for re-nomination as Circuit Clerk. He is a careful and painstaking official and there are scores who will endorse his re-election.

Harold Willis, a member of the Mexico High School, entered the service of the United States Marines in St. Louis this week.

There will be preaching services in English at the Evangelical Church in Rush Hill on May 12th, at 10 o'clock a. m. Service led by Rev. Haffner. Everybody cordially invited.

STRAW HATS.

For the family, 10 cents to \$3.50. Johnson Variety Store.

George Kabrich extends his Message subscription.

C. P. Arnold authorizes The Message to announce him as a candidate for County Collector. Mr. Arnold was born near Shamrock, but has lived near Mexico for 18 years. He is quite an extensive live stock buyer and has a large acquaintance over the county. He will have a strong support in his candidacy.

The Red Cross Ladies of Hazel, Botts, Fisher and Beagles Districts saved the eggs they gathered Sunday and the proceeds amounted to \$81.00. Mrs. Geo. Green is treasurer. Joe Mongler near Molino lost a valuable work mule.

Miss Mabel Grafford, acting Assistant County Treasurer, has gone to Chicago to take a course in a business college.

T. L. Pasley of Rush Hill paid Tac Message a pleasant call yesterday.

Mrs. P. E. Locke has been quite seriously ill, and is now better.

JUST RECEIVED

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ONE CAR OF BUGGIES.

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RUSH HILL, MO.

PRAIRIE AND NORTH HALF LINN TOWNSHIP

Sunday School Convention With Rush Hill M. E. Church, Sunday, May 12, 2:30 P. M.

Opening Song.

Prayer.

Appointment of Committees by President.

O. F. Hafner, Starting Sunday School on Time.

Grant Morthland, Working up Attendance.

A. B. Hale, Why Organize Adult Classes.

J. L. Wilkins, The Advantage of Separate Class-Rooms.

Lizzie Williams, How Secretary Should Procure Records.

George W. Coakley, Team Work.

Josephine Wallace, Modes of Teaching The Primary.

Song, Star Spangled Banner.

Recitation, Mothers' Day.

Miss Carter, The Need of Graded Lessons.

Miss Ruth Cook, Opening Exercises When Graded Lessons Are Used.

Joe Dye, How to Hold Teen Age Boys.

Roy Barkley, Teachers' Training at Regular Sunday School Hour.

Discussion by Mrs. W. W. Botts and Miss Annie Miller.

C. M. Fox, Observation of Decision Day.

Report of Committees.

Election of Officers.

SANTA FE ITEMS.

Uncle Jack Sterrett died at the home of his daughter, Mrs. W. S. Bybee, May 1st, 1918, and was buried at South Fork.

Mr. Bill Sterrett motored to Paris Friday and brought his son, Yewell, home. He had an operation for appendicitis.

Miss Florence Yowell went to Chillicothe Friday, by way of Paris, to attend The Former Scholars' Banquet. She returned Tuesday having also visited in Mexico.

Miss Lida Yowell went to Mexico Tuesday to visit at Dr. Mc Botts'.

The Rebekahs gathered 38 eggs at the social Thursday night.

James Peak, enlisted soldier, reported at Jefferson Barracks Saturday.

Miss Georgia Markley entertained a few friends Friday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Philander Stuart, Mrs. Hanger and Mr. Mosley went to Mexico Thursday.

Saturday being High School Day at Columbia, all the children came home Friday.

Miss Lulu Heckart, Miss Gertrude Davis, Fred Peak, and Arch Holman motored to Hannibal Wednesday.

Dock Peak lost a fine mare.

Miss Irene Carter of Perry visited Miss Ruth Kerr Sunday.

MR. McDONOUGH DEAD.

Robert McDonough, 81 years old, died at his home in Mexico Saturday after an illness of several weeks.

Mr. McDonough was a native of Pennsylvania. Came to Missouri in 1860. He was married to Miss Letitia Buckner. One child survives this union, E. Walton McDonough, of Modley, Scott county, Mo. Mrs. McDonough died several years ago. Mr. McDonough moved to Mexico in 1879. In 1881 he was married to Miss Mary M. Johnson at Laddonia. By this union there are the following children: Rose Williams, Mexico; Estil and Audrain McDonough, Mexico; Ella Emerick, St. Louis; Mignon Towne, Mexico; Silas S. McDonough, serving in the war in France; Melnotte Greenup, Washington, D. C.; and Mary S. McDonough, Mexico.

Mr. McDonough was in the Confederate Army and participated in many noted battles. In his prime he was one of the leading architects and builders in Mexico.

The funeral was held at the home Monday morning, conducted by Rev. A. A. Wallace. Burial in Elmwood.

Private James Berrey at Camp Doniphan, has received an honorable discharge from the army. He suffered an attack of pneumonia which has left him in a bad state of health.

NORTH MOLINO.

Oscar Martin bot a fine gilt from Richard Baker paying a fancy price.

Mr. and Mrs. Nova Miller are the proud parents of a fine son, who arrived Saturday night, April 27, 1918.

Cecil Prater and Gip Harvey are doing some fine sawing in the P. R. Cauthorn pasture.

Almer Mundy and family were Sunday guests of Felix Martin's.

Mrs. Forest Berry was soliciting for the Third Liberty Loan. Rainy week has hindered the work.

Walter Baker bot a fine young cow from Guy Nichols.

Red Cross Ladies completed 22 garments Wednesday. They had 8 sewing machines kept busy.

Miss Lizzie Telkemper is the guest of Mrs. Walter Henderson.

Several of our soldier boys have recently visited in and near Molino. They think they soon "go over".

Rev. Painter of Mexico preached three fine sermons at Mt. Zion Saturday and Sunday. We hope he may soon come again.

P. R. and J. A. Cauthorn sold shoats to M. Householder at 18 cts per pound. Almer Mundy bot 20 head of shoats, paying 18 cts.

Quite a number of hogs have been sent into Mexico in the last week, and a carload in the stockyards awaiting to go this morning. If the Mexico men could realize the "great help that little road was to us out here, and could realize that they may be losing by it not running, they would never have moved a rail. It was fine to call up the lumber yard and give order for lumber, cement, nails and anything in their line; call up a grocery store and give an order, etc. Now we have to do without until we get a chance to send or maybe not get it at all. Don't you see? Our farmers spent the last dollar they could spare to build that road. It hurts them to see it torn up. Think of it.

SECOND RED CROSS WAR FUND CAMPAIGN.

"Facing the Hindenburg Line" is the title of a book written by Dr. Burris A. Jenkins, pastor of the Linwood Boulevard Christian Church of Kansas City. It is a stirring record of his experiences "over there." He was "over there" as a war correspondent and has a very interesting and instructive story for you. Do not fail to hear him. Tell your neighbor; get him to come.

Dr. Jenkins is chaplain of a regiment and pastor of a church of nearly 2,000 adult members. His addresses on the war during the National Convention of the Christian Church recently were the most interesting features of the Convention.

He comes in the interest of the Second \$100,000,000 Red Cross War Fund Campaign May 20-22. He will speak on the Public Square at 3:00 o'clock Saturday afternoon, May 11. Hear him.

On May 19 we have the assurance that Dr. Frederick F. Johnson of St. Louis will give us two addresses, one in the afternoon and one at night. He comes very highly recommended by George Waverly Briggs, Director of the Speakers' Division for the War Fund Campaign.

Mr. Briggs is also trying to arrange for Dr. J. W. Hudson of our State University at Columbia to address us during the week of the Campaign. He has just recently returned from France where he was sent on a special mission for the Red Cross. We shall be very fortunate to get him. He is a wonderful speaker and all should hear him.

W. CLYDE JOHNSON, Manager War Fund Campaign.

Miss Margaret Mhlion of this city is to teach next year in Baylor College, Belton, Texas.

Mr. George Cary and Mrs. Maudie Martin were married in Mexico Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. C. G. Holland, who were married recently in Kansas City, are visiting Mrs. Holland's mother in this city, Mrs. Clara D. Snidow.



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ORDER OF PUBLICATION.
In the Circuit Court of Audrain County, State of Missouri, in Vacation, to the June Term, 1918.

North Missouri Trust Company, Plaintiff vs. Mexico Land and Investment Company, Defendant.

Civil Action in Attachment.

State of Missouri to the above named Defendant, Greeting:—

On February 25th, 1918, the plaintiff by its attorney, R. D. Rodgers, filed with the undersigned (Clerk of the Circuit Court, petition and affidavit in attachment stating among other things that the above named defendant conceals itself so that the ordinary process of law cannot be served upon it and absconded and absented itself from its usual place of abode in this State so that the ordinary process of law cannot be served upon it in the manner prescribed in Chapter 21 Revised Statutes of this State for the year 1909. It is thereupon ordered by the Clerk aforesaid in vacation that publication be made notifying the said defendant that an action has been commenced against it, the said defendant, by petition and affidavit in attachment in the Circuit Court of Audrain County, Missouri, founded on a promissory note for the sum of \$2,000.00 payable to the order of Laura E. Evans, and that said Laura E. Evans while the owner and holder of said note and before the maturity thereof, for value endorsed and delivered said note to this plaintiff, who ever since, and now is the owner of said note, and on January 18th, 1917, a credit was made on said note which reduces the amount to \$561.00 with compound interest at seven per cent, and that its property has been attached and its debtors garnished and that unless it, the said defendant, be and appear at the next term of said Court to be holden at the Court House at Mexico, Missouri, within the County of Audrain, on the 3rd day of June, 1918, and on or before the 1st day thereof at which time and place said defendant is required and commanded to be and appear and to plead, answer or demur to plaintiff's said petition; otherwise the allegations contained in said petition will be taken and considered as confessed, and judgment will be taken and rendered against defendant, and its property sold to satisfy the same.

It is further ordered that a copy hereof be published in the Mexico Missouri Message, a news paper published in said County of Audrain for four weeks successively, the last insertion to be at least five days before the commencement of the said June, 1918, term of Court.

WITNESS my hand and seal of said Court.

(SEAL) Done at office in Mexico, Missouri, this April 24th, 1918.

E. F. ELLIOTT, Clerk of the Audrain County Circuit Court.

A true copy from the record.

Attest: E. F. Elliott, Clerk.

R. D. Rodgers, Attorney for Plaintiff.

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R. M. White is in St. Louis to take treatment in a hospital.

W. A. Robbins has been appointed roadoverseer in District 23, this county.